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(As Amended)

**"AN ACT CONCERNING DOMESTIC VIOLENCE."**

1 After the last section, add the following and renumber sections and  
2 internal references accordingly:

3 "Sec. 501. Section 26-86a of the general statutes is repealed and the  
4 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

5 (a) The commissioner shall establish by regulation adopted in  
6 accordance with the provisions of chapter 54 standards for deer  
7 management, and methods, regulated areas, bag limits, seasons and  
8 permit eligibility for hunting deer with bow and arrow, muzzleloader  
9 and shotgun, except that no such hunting shall be permitted on  
10 Sunday. No person shall hunt, pursue, wound or kill deer with a  
11 firearm without first obtaining a deer permit from the commissioner in  
12 addition to the license required by section 26-27, as amended.  
13 Application for such permit shall be made on forms furnished by the

14 commissioner and containing such information as he may require.  
15 Such permit shall be of a design prescribed by the commissioner, shall  
16 contain such information and conditions as the commissioner may  
17 require, and may be revoked for violation of any provision of this  
18 chapter or regulations adopted pursuant thereto. As used in this  
19 section, "muzzleloader" means a rifle or shotgun of at least forty-five  
20 caliber, incapable of firing a self-contained cartridge, which uses  
21 powder, a projectile, including, but not limited to, a standard round  
22 ball, mini-balls, maxi-balls and Sabot bullets, and wadding loaded  
23 separately at the muzzle end and "rifle" means a long gun the projectile  
24 of which is six millimeters or larger in diameter. The fee for a firearms  
25 permit shall be fourteen dollars for residents of the state and fifty  
26 dollars for nonresidents, except that any nonresident who is an active  
27 full-time member of the armed forces, as defined in section 27-103,  
28 may purchase a firearms permit for the same fee as is charged a  
29 resident of the state. The commissioner shall issue, without fee, a  
30 private land deer permit to the owner of ten or more acres of private  
31 land and the husband or wife, parent, grandparent, sibling and any  
32 lineal descendant of such owner, provided no such owner, husband or  
33 wife, parent, grandparent, sibling or lineal descendant shall be issued  
34 more than one such permit per season. Such permit shall allow the use  
35 of a rifle, shotgun, muzzleloader or bow and arrow on such land from  
36 November first to December thirty-first, inclusive. Deer may be so  
37 hunted at such times and in such areas of such state-owned land as are  
38 designated by the Commissioner of Environmental Protection and on  
39 privately owned land with the signed consent of the landowner, on  
40 forms furnished by the department, and such signed consent shall be  
41 carried by any person when so hunting on private land. The owner of  
42 ten acres or more of private land may allow the use of a rifle to hunt  
43 deer on such land during the shotgun season. The commissioner shall  
44 determine, by regulation, the number of consent forms issued for any  
45 regulated area established by said commissioner. The commissioner  
46 shall provide for a fair and equitable random method for the selection  
47 of successful applicants who may obtain shotgun and muzzleloader  
48 permits for hunting deer on state lands. Any person whose name

49 appears on more than one application for a shotgun permit or more  
50 than one application for a muzzleloader permit shall be disqualified  
51 from the selection process for such permit. No person shall hunt,  
52 pursue, wound or kill deer with a bow and arrow without first  
53 obtaining a bow and arrow permit pursuant to section 26-86c. "Bow  
54 and arrow" as used in this section and in section 26-86c means a bow  
55 with a draw weight of not less than forty pounds. The arrowhead shall  
56 have two or more blades and may not be less than seven-eighths of an  
57 inch at the widest point. No person shall carry firearms of any kind  
58 while hunting with a bow and arrow under said sections.

59 (b) No person shall hunt, pursue, wound or kill deer on state-owned  
60 land or privately-owned land as provided in subsection (a) of this  
61 section with a handgun except under the following conditions: (1) The  
62 handgun shall be limited to a revolver or single shot pistol with a  
63 barrel length of not less than five and three-quarters inches and not  
64 more than twelve and one-half inches and is chambered for and uses  
65 straight-wall handgun ammunition in .357 magnum, .41 caliber, .41  
66 magnum, .44 caliber, .44 magnum, .45 caliber, .454 caliber, or .480  
67 caliber, (2) during muzzleloader season, the handgun is a single shot  
68 muzzle-loading handgun, (3) the handgun shall be carried openly on a  
69 sling or in a holster and not be concealed while hunting, and (4) the  
70 handgun shall be used exclusively during any rifle and shotgun or  
71 muzzleloader season as applicable during which deer may be taken. A  
72 handgun specified in subdivision (1) of this subsection may be used  
73 only by a resident of this state who holds a valid permit to carry a  
74 pistol or revolver issued under subsection (b) of section 29-28. No  
75 person under eighteen years of age may use a muzzle-loading  
76 handgun to hunt under this section.

77 [(b)] (c) Any person who takes a deer without a permit shall be fined  
78 not less than two hundred dollars or more than five hundred dollars or  
79 imprisoned not less than thirty days or more than six months or shall  
80 be both fined and imprisoned, for the first offense, and for each  
81 subsequent offense shall be fined not less than two hundred dollars or  
82 more than one thousand dollars or imprisoned not more than one year

83 or shall be both fined and imprisoned.

84 Sec. 502. Section 26-35 of the general statutes is repealed and the  
85 following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2006*):

86 Each firearms hunting, archery hunting, trapping or sport fishing  
87 license or the combination firearms hunting and fishing license, except  
88 licenses issued pursuant to subdivisions (7) and (10) of subsection (a)  
89 of section 26-28, shall expire December thirty-first next following the  
90 date of issue and shall not be transferable. No person shall change or  
91 alter such a license or loan to another or permit another to have or use  
92 such license issued to himself or use any license issued to another. All  
93 licenses shall be carried as designated by the commissioner at all times  
94 when such licensee is hunting, trapping or sport fishing and shall be  
95 produced for examination upon demand of any conservation officer or  
96 other employee of the department designated by the commissioner or  
97 any other officer authorized to make arrests or the owner or lessee or  
98 the agent of any owner or lessee of any land or water upon which such  
99 licensed person may be found. Whenever the commissioner has  
100 designated any land or water area a wildlife management study area,  
101 he may require such licensee to surrender his license upon entering  
102 such area and issue to the licensee an arm band, back tag or other  
103 identification. The license shall be returned to the licensee upon  
104 leaving such area. Each person receiving a license to hunt or to trap  
105 shall make an annual report to the commissioner in such form and at  
106 such time as may be required by him showing the numbers and kinds  
107 of birds and quadrupeds killed or trapped. A firearms hunting or a  
108 combination firearms hunting and fishing license shall not authorize  
109 the carrying or possession of a pistol or revolver except as provided in  
110 subsection (b) of section 26-86a, as amended by this act."